

BRANCH MEETING

BRANCH 343, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI
 JULY 13, 2023

Summary of Branch Action

- MSC To pay the branch bills.
- MSC That the branch purchase the usual black and white one-eighth page (3 5/6" x 5") in the 2023 Labor Day issue of the Labor Tribune @ a cost of \$439.



In 1914, when Henry Ford doubled the pay of his employees from \$2.25 per day to \$5 per day, he did not do it for altruistic reasons. He did it to keep his employee turnover rate low. Ford needed to hire over 52,000 men for a workforce of only 14,000. New workers required a long break-in period and many would quit, which proved costly for the company's production line. Increasing their wages fixed the problem.

New Members

- Darius Bass Harriet Woods.....5/24/2023
- DeAndre Brown Olivette6/2/2023
- Robert Brown Coyle6/9/2023
- Kaylee Buchholz Maryville Gardens...6/16/2023
- Brian Burns..... Gaffney6/9/2023
- Taharra Cross Southwest 6/16/2023
- Rashid Hughes..... Affton 5/24/2023
- Bobby Hunter Oldham5/24/2023
- Karen Isaacs..... Coyle6/2/2023
- Anthony Jelks Oldham6/9/2023
- Sylvester Johnson Normandy6/9/2023
- Emmett Ryan Klinghammer . Maplewood.....6/2/2023
- Christopher Lambert Carrier Square6/2/2023
- Jeffrey Lemley..... Kirkwood 6/16/2023
- Latonya Loyd Weathers.....6/9/2023
- Sada Martin Normandy6/9/2023
- Byron McElroy Maryville Gardens....6/2/2023
- Jennifer Norwood..... West County6/9/2023
- Wymika Patton Maryville Gardens...6/16/2023
- Jeremyah White..... Coyle6/16/2023
- Jessica Wilkins Carrier Square5/24/2023

Recently Retired Members

- Michael Deleon..... Carrier Square..... 6/30/2023
- Sharon Edwards Maryville Gardens..... 6/30/2023

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Deceased Members

- Louis Venegoni Gold Card
- Robert Metcalf..... Retired
- Michael Martise Retired



MDA GOLF TOURNAMENT
 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Highlights

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. The invocation and pledge of allegiance were led by Darlene Tate and the minutes were read and accepted.

NBAs Report, Dave Teegarden: No Report

Legislative Report, Mike Weir: Mike reported that elections have consequences, and it is essential to vote for candidates who will protect democracy.

Retirees Report, Tom Schulte: Tom sent greetings from the retirees and thanked NBA Dave Teegarden for providing a delicious BBQ brisket lunch.

Labor Council Report, Steven Powers: Steven reported that the AFL-CIO has announced their official endorsement of President Biden for re-election.

MBA Report, Saronda Sutherland: Saronda spoke about unclaimed property and reminded everyone to make sure their beneficiaries are up to date.

Health Benefit Report, Barry Linan: Barry reported that the health benefit plan now offers a new program for members with diabetes called Transform Diabetes Care.

Mound City Carrier Report, Tom Schulte: Tom reported that the parents of the recent scholarship winners wanted to thank the membership for their support.

Haake Scholarship Report, Tom Schulte: No report.

Safety and Health Report, Richard Thurman: Richard asked that everyone remember to consider yourself first when it comes to effects of the heat. Do not let management tell you when you are hot.

OWCP Report, Barry Linan: Barry asked that members watch out for injured CCAs who may not know the OWCP filing requirements.

Trustees Report, La'Tecse Litteken: The books were audited and found to be in good order.

Political Action Committee Report, Mike Weir: Mike read the names of the contributors and reported that the projected COLA for retirees is at 2.6% as of July. 6:25

Executive Vice President/Treasurer Report, Brian Litteken: Brian reported that the 2023 Golf Tournament will be held at Lockhaven Golf Club and reminded teams to register early.

Vice President/Financial Secretary Report, Marvin Booker: Read the financial report for July and reported that during a meeting with the postmaster and the three MCSOs, he managed to make two MCSOs come unhinged in front of their boss who then proceeded to tell them they were wrong.

President's Comments, John McLaughlin: President McLaughlin reported that management is required to do heat wellness checks on new employees and those who were on vacation and may not be acclimated to the heat.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tina M. Hunt, Recording Secretary

BRANCH MEETING ATTENDANCE PRIZES

JULY 18, 2023

1. Cardinals vs Washington Nationals	July 16	Tom Schulte, Retired
2. Cardinals vs Miami Marlins	July 18	Mike Weir, Retired
3. Cardinals vs Minnesota Twins	Aug 2	Nate Markovich, Southwest
4. Muny: West Side Story	July 18	Richard Thurman, Creve Coeur
5. Muny: Little Shop of Horrors	July 25	John Konopka, Retired
	\$21	Jyron Johnson, Weathers